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BY THE KING.

A Proclamation declaring His MAJESTIES expreſſe Command,

That no Popiſh Recuſant, nor any other, who ſhall refuſe to take the two Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, ſhall ſerve Him in His Army: And that the Souldiery commit no rapines upon the People, but be fitly provided of neceſſaries for their money.

WHereas We have heretofore, by Our Proclamation, ſtraightly charged and Commanded, That the Laws ſhould be put in due Execution againſt Popiſh Recuſants, and We have, and ſhall have it ſtill in Our care, to ſuppreſſe and prevent the growth of Popery, and to uſe all good means that may tend thereunto, and not to countenance Papiſts, by any employment or truſt, by or for Us. And whereas there are now at and near *London*, great Forces levyed, and in levying, and Moneys raiſing, by way

of contribution, and otherwiſe, towards the charge of raiſing, and maintaining an Army, or Forces, under pretence of the Order of Our two Houſes of Parliament, not onely without Our conſent; but contrary to our ſeverall expreſſe Commands, publiſhed by ſeverall Proclamations, Letters, and otherwiſe. And the ſame Forces are actually in ſo much forwardneſſe, as that there are divers Horſemen daily Exerciſed, and Trained in places about *London*, and great numbers of Foot in raiſing; and a Generall, and other principall Officers are nominated and declared, and they have accepted, and taken upon them thoſe places, and have already done ſeverall Acts of Hoſtility againſt Vs, which clearly appear to be a levying of Warre againſt Vs; We have found it neceſſary, to raiſe, and levy Forces, for the defence of the true Proteſtant Religion, Our Perſon, the two Houſes of Parliament, the Laws of the Land, the Libertie and Propriety of the Subject, and the juſt Priviledges of Parliament. And now, leſt any Popiſh Recuſants ſhould preſume to offer to ſerve Vs herein, or procure themſelves to be liſted, as Officers, or Souldiers in Our Army, without Our knowledge, and to the end that Our intention herein may be clearly known, That whereas one principall aim of raiſing theſe forces, is, for the defence and maintenance of the true Proteſtant Religion, We may not be ſerved with Papiſts, as falſely and ſlanderouſly hath been objected againſt Vs, We do hereby declare Our expreſſe Will and Pleaſure to be, and We do hereby ſtraightly Command, That no Perſon or Perſons ſoever being Popiſh Recuſants, ſhall preſume to come to Our Court, contrary to the Law in ſuch caſe provided, nor any Popiſh Recuſant, or Papiſt, take any Office, or Place, or Liſt himſelf as a Souldier in this Service.

And to the end there may be as full diſcovery as can be

be made of ſuch as ſhall, contrary to this Our Proclamation, be ſo liſted into ſuch Our ſervice, We do ſtraightly command and charge all Officers and Souldiers, who ſhall be entred or liſted for this Our ſervice, That upon the firſt Muſter-day after they ſhall be ſo Liſted, they take the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance, both which We ſhall take care ſhall be tendered unto them according to the Law, throughout Our Army. And if any ſhall continue his name in thoſe Liſts, and yet ſhall refuſe the ſaid Oaths, We ſhall not onely caſhiere them, but alſo otherwiſe proceed againſt them, according to the Law.

And as We ſhall be carefull that all Our Officers and Souldiers ſhall be duly paied, that there be no occaſion or pretence of neceſſity amongſt them to burthen any of Our Subjects; So We do hereby ſtraightly Charge and Command, That none of the ſaid Officers, or Souldiers, preſume to take any thing from any of Our good Subjects without due payment for the ſame, nor commit any unlawfull Violence or Outrage. And to all theſe Our Commands We expect a ſtrict Obedience of all Our Subjects whom it may concern, as they will anſwer the contrary at their uttermoſt perill. And being thus carefull that by this Our neceſſary ſervice, Our Subjects ſhould not in any degree ſuffer or be wronged, ſo We do expect and require, That all Our Sheriffs, Juſtices of Peace, Majors, Bayliffs, and all other Our Officers and Subjects, ſhould uſe their beſt endeavours as there ſhall be occaſion for the aſſiſtance and covenient ſupplies of Our ſaid Officers, and Souldiers, with ſuch things as ſhall be neceſſary and fit for them, at reaſonable Rates and Prices.

Given at Our Court at York *the tenth day of* Auguſt, *in the eighteenth yeare of Our Reigne.* 1642.

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BY THE KING.

A Proclamation, by His Majestie, requiring the Aid and Assistance of all His Subjects on the North-side *Trent*, and within twenty miles Southward thereof, for the suppressing of the Rebels, now marching against Him.

WHereas divers Persons, bearing an inward Hatred and Malice against Our Person and Government, and ambitious of Rule and places of Preferment and Command, have raised an Army, and are now trayterously and rebelliously, (though under the specious pretence of Our Royall Name and Authority, and of the defence of Our Person and Parliament) marching in Battell Array, against Vs their Liege, Lord and Sovereigne, contrary to their Duty and Allegiance, whereby the Common Peace is like to be wholly destroyed, and this flourishing Kingdome in danger to perish under the miseries of a Civill Warre, if the Malice and Rage of these Persons be not instantly resisted: And as We do, and must relie on Almighty

mighty God (the Protectour and Defender of His Anointed) to defend Vs, and Our good People, againſt the Malice and Pernicious deſignes of theſe men, tending to the utter ruine of Our Perſon, the true Proteſtant Religion, the Laws eſtabliſhed, the Property and Liberty of the Subject, and the very Being of Parliaments; So We doubt not but Our good People will in this neceſſity contribute unto Vs, with all Alacrity and Cheerfulneſſe, their aſſiſtance in their Perſons, Servants, and Money, for the ſuppreſsion of the ſame Rebellion: And therein We cannot but with much contentment of heart acknowledge the Love and Affection of Our Subjects of Our Countie of *York*, and divers other Counties, in their free and ready aſſiſtance of Vs, which We ſhall never forget; and Our Poſterity will, as We hope, ever remember, for their good.

Nevertheleſſe, in this Our extreme neceſsity, though We have been moſt unwilling, We are now inforced, for Our moſt juſt and neceſſary Defence, again to call and invite them, and all other Our Subjects of the true Proteſtant Religion, reſiding on the North-ſide of *Trent*, or within twenty miles Southward thereof, whoſe hearts God Almighty ſhall touch with a true ſenſe and apprehenſion of Our ſufferings, and of the ill uſe, which the Contrivers and Fomenters of this Rebellion, have made of Our Clemency, and deſire of Peace, That according to their Allegiance, and as they tender the ſafetie of Our Perſon, the Property of their Eſtates, their juſt Liberties, the true Proteſtant Religion, and Priviledges of Parliament, and indeed the very Being of Parliaments, they attend Our Perſon upon Monday, the two and twentieth day of this inſtant *Auguſt*, at Our Town of *Nottingham*, where and when We intend to erect Our Standard-Royall, in Our juſt and neceſſary

ceſſary Defence, and whence We reſolve to advance forward for the ſuppreſsion of the ſaid Rebellion, and the Protection of Our good Subjects amongſt them, from the burthen of the Slavery and Inſolence, under which they cannot but groan, till they be relieved by Vs.

And We likewiſe call, and invite all Our Subjects, of the true Proteſtant Religion, in the remoter parts of this Our Kingdome, to whom notice of this Our Proclamation cannot ſo ſoon arrive, That with all ſpeed poſsible, as they tender the forenamed Conſiderations, they attend Our Perſon in ſuch place as We ſhall then happen to Encamp: And ſuch of Our ſaid Subjects, as ſhall come unto Vs (either to Our ſaid Town of *Nottingham*, or to any other place, where We ſhall happen to Encamp) Armed, and Arrayed, with Horſe, Piſtolls, Muskets, Pikes, Corſlets, Horſes for Dragoons, or other fitting Arms and Furniture, We ſhall take them into Our Pay, (ſuch of them excepted, who ſhall be willing, as Voluntiers, to ſerve Vs in this Our neceſsity without Pay.) And whoſoever ſhall, in this Our Danger and Neceſsity, ſupply Vs either by Gift, or Loan of Money, or Plate, for this Our neceſſary Defence (wherein they alſo are ſo nearly concerned) We ſhall as ſoon as God ſhall enable Vs, repay whatſoever is ſo lent, and upon all Occaſions Remember, and Reward thoſe Our good Subjects, according to the meaſure of their Love, and Affections to Vs and their Countrey.

Given at Our Court at York *the twelfth day of* Auguſt, *in the eighteenth year of Our Reigne.* 1642.

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His Majesties Message to the House of Commons.

From the Court at York the thirteenth of August 1642.

HIs Majestie taking notice of an Order lately made by the House of Commons, whereby that House hath unduly assumed to themselves Authority to order, direct and dispose of one hundred thousand pounds, part of those moneys which the Adventurers for the reducing of the Rebells of Ireland have paid to that, and onely to that purpose, to other uses and intents, contrary to the expresse words of the Act of Parliament concerning the same; wherein it is enacted, that no part of the money, which should be paid in according to that Act, shall be employed to any other purpose, then the reducing of those Rebells, untill they shall be declared to be subdued: Out of his Piety and Princely care for the confirming and reestablishment of Gods true Religion in that his kingdome of Ireland, for the relief of his distressed subjects there, for the suppression of that horrid and bloudy Rebellion, for the supply and payment of his Armies there, now in great want and necessity

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ſity, doth ſtrictly require the Houſe of Commons, as they will anſwer the contrary to Almighty God, His Majeſtie, and thoſe that have truſted them, that they immediately retract that miſchievous, illegall, and unjuſt Order; wherein His Majeſty expecteth their ſpeedy Anſwer, and obedience: And the rather that he may thereby be ſecured, that ſuch part of the foure hundred thouſand pounds, as is, or ſhall be collected from his good ſubjects of England, by virtue of the late Act of Parliament, whereby the ſame is granted, may not likewiſe (under falſe pretences) be diverted from its proper uſe, for which it was intended, and miſimployed to the diſturbance of the peace of this kingdome, in a warre againſt his ſacred Majeſtie.